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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q63128

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Appl. No.: 09/780,485

Group Art Unit: 1771

Confirmation No.: 8114

Examiner: Hai Vo

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For: FOAMED RUBBER, PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME AND COMPOSITE
COMPRISING THE FOAMED RUBBER

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 3, 2002, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith.

REMARKS

Re-examination and reconsideration of the application pursuant to and consistent with 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and in light of the remarks which follow, are respectfully requested.

As correctly noted in the Office Action Summary, claims 1-10 are pending in the application. Of these, claims 3-7 stand withdrawn from consideration.

Election/Restriction

As set forth at page 2 of the Official Action, claims 1, 2, 8-10, drawn to a foamed rubber and composite are being examined, while claims 3-7, drawn to a process of making a foamed rubber and composite, stand withdrawn from consideration.